



# Charleston C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear families,

What a wonderful week it's been! The children have continued to show great enthusiasm in their lessons, embracing new learning opportunities with excitement and energy. We're proud of how they are rising to the challenges and making the most of each day.

A special mention goes to the children in Croft, who had an amazing time participating in Bikeability this week. They impressed their instructor with their skills and positive attitudes—well done!

Year 5 and 6 will also be enjoying their first swim lesson later today! We hope they have a fantastic time and that everything goes swimmingly. We're sure they'll make the most of this exciting opportunity to learn and develop new skills.

As we head further into the autumn months, it seems the season of illness is upon us. Please remember to contact the school if your child will be absent due to sickness, so we can keep track of attendance and ensure everyone is accounted for.

Lastly, we warmly invite you to join us next week for Praise Worship on Monday afternoon. It's always a lovely opportunity to come together as a community and celebrate the children's hard work and achievements.

Have a restful weekend!

Mrs Ruston

## Dates for the Diary

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Praise Worship 2:50

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October- Forest School

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October- Census Day \* Exciting new Menu\*

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October (am) Junior Life Skills for Year 6

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30- Harvest Festival (St Marys)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October- Start Point trip to Golden Hind

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Half Term – 28<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Dinner (wear a Christmas jumper)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Jumper day

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December- Start Point nativity (2:30 at St Marys)

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December- Whole School Christmas Carols (2:30 in the school hall)

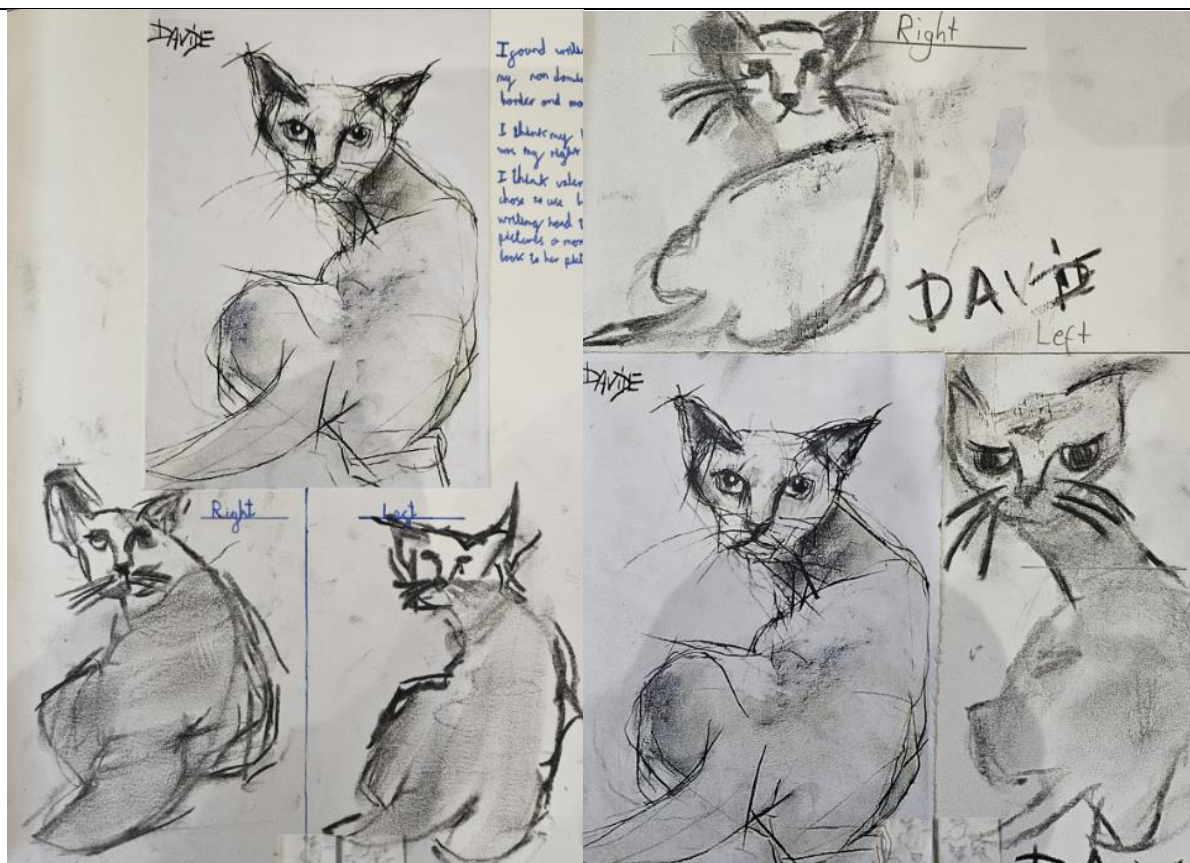
## Start Point

In Start Point this week, we have continued our learning about Sir Francis Drake discussing whether he is a pirate or explorer! In maths, we have been using blank number lines and estimating where numbers go. As artists, we have been exploring colour mixing using the terms primary, secondary and tertiary to describe how the colours have been produced. We have booked the Golden Hind Museum at Brixham for the 15th October and I know parents/carers have been liaising to arrange getting the children there, so thank you for that. Letters about the trip were sent out on Thursday.



## Croft

In Croft this week, we have started some practice SATs papers for the Year 6s, and we have all been impressed with their attitude and approach to these papers, particularly as they are their first attempt – keep up the good work! In History, we have continued our work on finding out about who the Windrush Generation are, and the children have written some very thoughtful pieces on this. In English, we have started our 'Independent Write' on a dream in the style of Roald Dahl's BFG and look forward to sharing some of them with you in Praise Assembly. Our work on Place Value has continued in Maths, with Years 3 and 4 looking at larger numbers on a number line and working out what steps the numbers are going up in. Finally, the Year 5s have braved the weather and the roads to engage in cycling this week and have all appeared to have enjoyed it! The children have also been busy artists and recreating some sketches made by Valerie Davide using their writing hand and non-writing hand.



## Stars of the Week

Start Point's star of the week goes to Ivy for working hard in her lessons.

Croft's star of the week goes to Hudson for thoughtful work in History on the Windrush Generation.



## Values of the Week

In Start Point the value of friendship goes to Luella who has shown friendship and kindness to others in the class.

In Croft the value of responsibility goes to Saskia for always keeping her desk tidy, getting started quickly and working well in every lesson!



## Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Our whole school attendance is currently 97.9%

Class attendance is currently:

Start Point Attendance 99% Croft Attendance 98%

### Home Learning – Start Point

Reading for KS1 and Reception.

Use a weather APP to check out the weather before school so you know what to wear?



### Home Learning – Croft

Continue to read at home as much as you can and regularly log onto TTRS for small chunks of learning. Remember to do the look, say, cover, say, write method for spellings.

Next week in art, we are going to be planning our charcoal pictures based on an animal. If you have a pet or animal that you would like to sketch, please bring a photo or picture in.